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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

## 1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114

- a.  Previously submitted
  - i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
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  - iii.  Other
- b.  Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/Supplemental IDS
  - iv.  Other

2.  A Request for Extension of Time is being filed concurrently

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- ii.  Other: The RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) will be made at the time of submission via EFS-Web.

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